## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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## NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING AND PREFILE TESTIMONY DEADLINES

## **DOCKET NO. 2021-23-C**

Joint Application of Charter Fiberlink SC-CCO, LLC and Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers to Receive Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Auction (Auction 904) Support for Voice and Broadband Services and Request for Expedited Consideration

Charter Fiberlink SC-CCO, LLC ("Charter Fiberlink") and Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC ("TWCIS", and together with Charter Fiberlink, each individually a "Charter Entity" and collectively the "Charter Entities") have filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") a Joint Application for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers ("ETCs"). The Charter Entities' intend to use the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund ("RDOF") Auction funding for the unserved areas in the Census Blocks, which are identified in Exhibits A and B of the Application. Application states the RDOF support assigned to each Charter Entity will enable it to extend broadband Internet access services to its respective RDOF Census Blocks in South Carolina. Additionally, the Application states Charter Entities' Services will offer a program for qualifying low-income households, to include but not limited to, broadband Internet and Lifeline voice services. The Application states in South Carolina, the more than \$112 million of RDOF funding assigned to the Charter Entities will help enable Charter to expand the availability of its network and services in the RDOF Census Blocks. Each Charter Entity requests a waiver of S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-690.C.(b) to the extent it would prohibit the designation of the Charter Entities as an ETC in an area smaller than a wire center. The Application was filed pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, Sections 54.201 and 54.202 of the Federal Communications Commission rules, and the Commission's requirement in S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-690.

A copy of the Charter Entities' Joint Application can be found on the Commission's website at **www.psc.sc.gov** under **Docket No. 2021-23-C**. Additionally, a copy of the Joint Application is available from the Charter Entities' counsel, Andrew J. D'Antoni, Esquire; Willoughby & Hoefer, P.A., Post Office Box 8416, Columbia, South Carolina 29202-8416.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a virtual hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin on **April 20, 2021, at 10:00 A.M.**, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter as a Party of Record with the right of cross-

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examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **February 25, 2021**, and indicate the amount of time required to address the Commission. For the receipt of future Commission correspondence, please include an email address in the Petition to Intervene. **Please refer to Docket No. 2021-23-C**.

The rates proposed in the Company's Petition/Application are subject to potential modification by the Commission during the course of this case.

INSTRUCTIONS TO ALL PARTIES OF RECORD (Applicant, Petitioners, and Intervenors only): All Parties of Record must prefile testimony with the Commission and with all Parties of Record. Prefiled Testimony Deadlines: Applicant's Direct Testimony Due: March 9, 2021; Other Parties of Record Direct Testimony Due: March 23, 2021; Applicant's Rebuttal Testimony Due: March 30, 2021; and Other Parties of Record Surrebuttal Testimony Due: April 6, 2021. All Prefiled Testimony Deadlines are subject to the information as posted on <a href="https://www.psc.sc.gov">www.psc.sc.gov</a> under *Docket No. 2021-23-C*.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing but does not wish to present testimony or be a Party of Record, may do so by notifying the Commission, in writing, at the address below on or before February 25, 2021. Please refer to Docket No. 2021-23-C.

For the most recent information regarding this docket, including changes in scheduled dates included in this Notice, please refer to www.psc.sc.gov and Docket No. 2021-23-C.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding <u>MUST</u> present such comments in person to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100 or visit its website at www.psc.sc.gov.

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